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TO: The Office of the Assistant Chief Counsel, US Customs and Border Patrol  
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FROM: Nadja Popovich, journalist, on behalf of The Guardian  
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Dear Office of the Assistant Chief Counsel,

I am a journalist with the Guardian in New York. I have been referred to you by both the Falfurrias Station and Rio Grande Valley Sector offices of the US Border Patrol.

I am writing to request statistics for illegal alien apprehensions reported by Falfurrias Station and/or Falfurrias checkpoint, located in corridor two of the Rio Grande Valley Border Patrol Sector. I am looking for yearly apprehension numbers for illegal migrants for the past two decades, or for as many years as for which records are available.

The Falfurrias checkpoint publicly releases their year-to-date apprehension numbers on a sign outside of the main building, and a secretary at the checkpoint confirmed that records are kept internally, going back "for as long as we've been keeping them."

I would also like to request any statistics you can provide concerning the number of illegal alien deaths reported to Falfurrias station per year, for as many years as for which data is available. By this I mean the number of bodies of illegal migrants recovered by USCBP in the area, both identified and unidentified.

Please let me know if you can comply with any of these requests in a timely manner.

You can contact me by phone at (646) 937-5891 or fax correspondence to (212) 574-8436. I would be grateful if you could provide any stats and records in a digital format (.pdf or .csv files, for example), but can also accept records via fax. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
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<b>Phone:</b>		<b>Date:</b>	June 12, 2014
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